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Subject: RE: : Request for Conduct of a Discovery Conference Docket Nos. 2017-370-E, 2017-207-E, and 2017-305-E

Dear David -

I apologize for not being able to respond to Mr. Guild's email until now and respectfully request that you excuse my delay. The documents Mr. Guild refers to as the "Bechtel Report progeny" are encompassed by the group of documents SCE&G is currently evaluating for confidentiality. SCE&G would also like to clarify that to the extent Mr. Guild is seeking documents that Bechtel relied upon in creating the Bechtel Report, almost all of those documents are within the possession, custody, and control of the Consortium. To effectively evaluate the status of the project, Bechtel reviewed the Consortium's records—not SCE&G's—through the use of an electronic reading room. SCE&G identified a group of SCE&G documents from that electronic reading room that Bechtel reviewed for purposes of the report, but this collection of documents does not constitute all of the documents Bechtel relied upon.

As SCE&G stated in its email on Friday, October 12, SCE&G has produced documents to Mr. Guild. Mr. Guild refused to accept those productions. He now lodges complaints against SCE&G regarding those very documents he refused to accept. SCE&G restates its request that the Hearing Officer reconsider Mr. Guild's request for a discovery conference until after SCE&G completes its confidentiality review and after Mr. Guild has accepted and reviewed these documents.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Chad

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To Chad Burgess:

I would request that SCE&G respond to Bob Guild's e-mail below by 10:30 AM on Tuesday, October 16, 2018.

Thanks,

David Butler

Hearing Officer

From: Bob Guild [mailto:Bguild@mindspring.com]

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Dear David:

While I appreciate Chad's response, nothing he says which may be forthcoming by October 22, 2018, appears to include the critical disputed materials which are the subject of our outstanding discovery requests and motions to compel, especially the Bechtel Report progeny, which may prove crucial to the disputed claims for recovery of the abandoned nuclear project costs. Needless to say, with hearings beginning in a matter of days, the production of such critically relevant discovery material, sought a year ago now in October 2017, is long overdue and its continued withholding is prejudicial to my clients' interests as well as to a fair adjudication of these claims. I respectfully request that you direct SCE&G to provide all such outstanding responsive materials, either to my clients or to you for your in camera review, on or before October 22, 2018; in order that any such remaining disputed materials may be promptly reviewed for production in a discovery conference scheduled thereafter. Sincerely,

Bob Guild

On 10/12/2018 6:52 PM, Butler, David wrote:

Chad and Bob:

I have to agree with Chad that Bob's request for a discovery conference is premature until after SCE&G has produced its latest round of documents under my last directive on October 22, 2018, since the production of those documents may address his discovery requests. If necessary, I will consider holding a discovery conference after October 22, 2018 if requested.

Thank you. David Butler Hearing Officer

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 12, 2018, at 4:18 PM, BURGESS, KENNETH CHAD chad.burgess@scana.com wrote:

Dear David,

In a continued effort to comply with its obligations before this Commission, and to comply with the Hearing Officer's Directive issued earlier this week, SCE&G currently is in the process of re-evaluating confidentiality designations on a significant number of documents previously produced in this docket. SCE&G will produce documents to Mr. Guild that it concludes can be produced without a confidentiality designation per that Directive, and SCE&G anticipates that this production should constitute a significant portion of the material that Mr. Guild has requested.

In light of that ongoing and soon-to-be-completed effort, Mr. Guild's request for a discovery conference is premature. As you stated in your email to Mr. Guild, SCE&G has until October 22, 2018 to make determinations as to the confidentiality of the documents in question. A discovery conference is not necessary until Mr. Guild

concludes that the material SCE&G plans to produce is not sufficient to address his requests. We are hopeful that Mr. Guild will not reach that conclusion, of course, and we believe that our expected production will address this issue.

SCE&G has produced over 1 million pages of responsive documents to Mr. Guild, expending considerable time and money to review and produce these document within the format specified by Mr. Guild. Mr. Guild, however, has outright refused to accept these documents. SCE&G has upheld its discovery obligations in this matter thus far, and will continue to comply with the Hearing Officer's Directives to produce documents responsive to Mr. Guild's discovery demands. I ask that you allow SCE&G to review and produce documents for confidentiality purposes before considering Mr. Guild's request for a discovery conference.

Thank you,

Chad

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Bob:

I am in receipt of your request for a discovery conference. I would ask that SCE&G respond to your request by close of business on Friday, October 12, 2018.

Thanks,

David Butler

Hearing Officer

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 11, 2018, at 6:13 PM, Bob Guild Sguild@mindspring.com wrote:

David:

Thanks for your response. I have reviewed the materials from SCE&G now made public as a result of your recent Directive. Unfortunately, few, if any of them, appear to be responsive to our outstanding discovery, which, among other subjects, sought numerous records cited specifically as reviewed and relied upon by the Bechtel team in their assessment of the Summer nuclear project. In light of SCE&G's reconsideration of its confidentiality claims and your prior Directives, and in the absence of prompt production by SCE&G of these critical and long-outstanding discovery requests, I renew my request for the conduct of a discovery conference at your earliest convenience.

Regards,

Bob Guild

On 10/10/2018 4:43 PM, Butler, David wrote:

To Bob Guild:

Bob:

I am in receipt of your e-mail request for a discovery conference, which is attached below. I have just issued a Hearing Officer's Directive with regard to confidentiality of SCE&G documents, and have given SCE&G until October 22, 2018 to make determinations on the public nature of up to a total of 10,000 documents. I have also decided that a number of documents from SCE&G are already of a public nature. I would ask that you examine the material released by SCE&G as the result of my Directive, and make a determination as to whether or not you would still like a discovery conference. If so, please let me know, and we can certainly discuss it.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Regards,
David Butler
Hearing Officer

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October 8, 2018

In Re: Friends of the Earth and Sierra Club v. SCE&G, etc. Docket Nos. 2017-207--E, 2017-305-E and 2017-370-E

Dear David:

On behalf of Friends of the Earth and Sierra Club I respectfully request that you conduct a discovery conference at your earliest convenience to address unresolved disputes between my clients and SCE&G regarding continued refusals by SCE&G to produce relevant documents, notwithstanding our Motions to Compel and your Hearing Officer Directive; and excessive and unwarranted designation of discovery materials as confidential; and, therefore, unavailable for viewing and use by my clients in preparation for the impending hearings. I have attempted repeatedly but unsuccessfully to resolve these disputed matters with counsel for SCE&G. I note that in SCE&G's recent response to the Motion to Compel Removal of Confidentiality Designation by ORS, SCE&G withdraws its confidential designation from numerous specific documents and commits to a further review of many others. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely.

Robert Guild

Attorney for Friends of the Earth and Sierra Club